POLLINATOR PROTECTION WORK GROUP JULY 6 2016 REPORT:

The work group met on June 17th with two city staff members involved with the ordinances regarding lawn areas. Al Martin of the Planning Division reviews applications for "natural lawns" and Kyle Bunnow of Building Inspection enforces the ordinance that governs those lawns and "noxious weeds". John Harrington, a landscape architect and member of the Urban Design Commission, also attended to offer his expertise on planting considerations. Based on this discussion, the work group will be proposing revisions to both ordinances to clarify what is allowed in private lawn areas and better educate the public on these issues.